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USC Stays Atop College Throne



We are very happy to quote from a recent editorial in Sporting News. "The minor leagues always have been the lifeblood of the major leagues. Unless the majors were to effect some arrangement with the colleges similar to the one professional basketball and football enjoy, the minors must be the breeding ground for talent. The minors are as vital to the majors as milk is to a baby. . . . Within the past 5 years, 168 cities have dropped out of organized ball. This means that there are at least 2,500 fewer spots for aspiring players to be placed."

About a year ago the Sporting News printed the following in an editorial: "If one were to wish for a Utopia in sports, it would have to call for agreement in spirit and harmonious relations between professional and collegiate activities. Some progress has been made in football, but the cleavage between professional and collegiate baseball becomes deeper each year. . . . Professional football has taken the wise step in barring any athlete from its league until his class has been graduated. Baseball could do the same thing without losing any ground."

Last week we read the famous statements from Mr. Hank Greenberg of the White Sox: "The minors wouldn't last 10 days if the majors withdrew their financial support. . . . The majors are paying 80-90% of the bills of minor league operation. . . . All the franchise in the minors does is give the right to operate at a loss." Mr. Greenberg would take over the minors, lock, stock and barrel.

The above prompted Mr. George M. Trautman to reply: "As for the majors taking over the minors the trend in recent years has been exactly the opposite. The majors owned and operated 107 minor league clubs in 1948, and have been withdrawing steadily every year until today they own only 18."

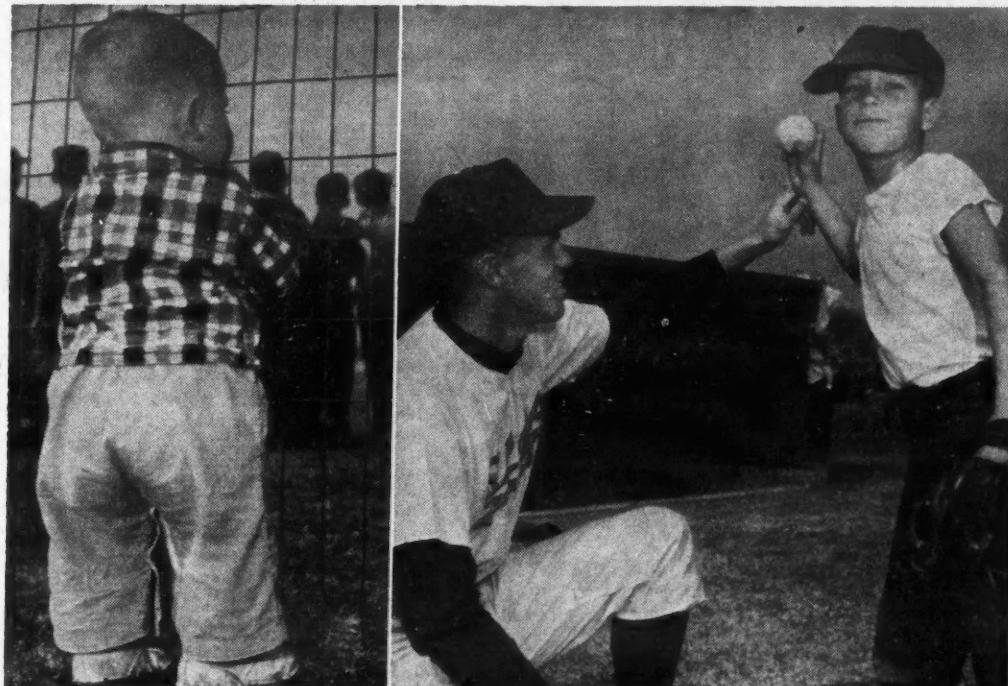
Professional baseball is in deep trouble. The majors worry about what might happen in Washington, D.C. The majors and minors are both worrying about keeping what is left of the minor leagues. When cities that boast of over one-half million in their metropolitan districts, like New Orleans, Omaha and Phoenix, are unable to support a team of organized baseball after major league affiliation is lost, the picture is not particularly bright for professional baseball.

College baseball has been worrying for a good many years. It still is. Maybe its troubles are magnified out of proportion. It seems to us that the major leagues must eventually turn to the colleges for their baseball talent. The ordinary fan, after getting 2½ hours of major league baseball on his TV, is not going to rush out to a minor league park to satisfy his craving for the sport. The minor leagues look like prospective victims of the first fall-out.

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Clinics Gain Support



Big Dreams For Little Men—With Little League and other youth baseball competition around the corner, youngsters turned out by the hundreds for Claremont-Mudd College's recent clinic. Too young to participate, but old enough to keep an eye on the doings was 10-month-old Craig Miles. Craig Ducey was old enough to participate and he got some pointers from CMC star Wes Parker.

Collegiate Affairs Get High Praise

Help Promote Game, College Education

By JERRY MILES

CLAREMONT, Calif. — How can a college baseball coach help promote the sport?

Bill Arce, athletic director and baseball boss at Claremont-Mudd College here, thinks he knows how: conduct a clinic for the youngsters of the area.

Arce is just one of the many coaches throughout the nation who are turning to the clinic as a way of selling the college baseball gospel.

In most every corner of the land this year schools have sponsored them. From Howard College in Alabama clear up to the big city of Chicago, at the University of Illinois branch, clinics have been conducted.

Here in California, Santa Ana Coach Rothrock produced his second annual clinic — an affair that drew more than 100.

Arce, also putting on his second annual clinic, was overwhelmed by the response. A year ago, about 80 youngsters turned out. This year, Arce had to handle approximately 300 of the enthusiastic.

"We started the clinic for 3 basic reasons," Arce explains. The main 1 was to try to sell the kids on playing the game on the college level.

"We believe clinics increase the probability that they'll want to play college ball and at the same time get an education. The clinics give us a chance to show the boys we want to work with them. And



Claremont-Mudd College's recent baseball clinic, conducted by Athletic Director and Coach Bill Arce, drew more than 300 youngsters. The size of the huge turnout—a jump of more than 200 from last year—is illustrated in this photo.

Cowboys Starting Strong

STILLWATER, Okla. — Oklahoma State, the 1959 collegiate baseball champion, has started strong as it seeks to retain its crown.

they, in turn, learn to respect us and our facilities.

Arce says at their age (the clinic was broken into 2 groups, 1 for boys 12 and under and the other for those 13 and over) the youngsters can always use instruction.

Claremont-Mudd has received praise from many civic, recreation leaders and parents for the program.

"This, of course, is very gratifying," he says, "but it's the thank you from the kids that please us most."

Arce and others like him are building for a better future — for college baseball and for the college education.

The Cowboys of Coach Toby Greene bounced Rice, pacesetter in the Southwest Conference, by scores of 10-1 and 4-2 before losing to Houston, 4-0.

With Pitching star Dick Soergel tossing a 5-inning 1-hitter, the Waddies jumped back on the winning trail, 1-0, in a rain-stopped game.

The crucial run in their Houston triumph was unearned. Don Wallace walked and advanced to second on an error. Then with 2 out, Dale Dehart singled to center to send the runner home.

Walk, Don't Run!

AUSTIN, Tex. — Texas Outfielder Roy Mengen is finding it easier to walk than run. Mengen, hitting .480 for the District 6 Longhorns, drew 14 walks in 7 games, including 5 straight in a 21-14 slugfest with Minnesota.

Troy Grabs 21 Of 30 Top Votes

Arizona, Okla. State Run 2-3 In CB Poll

TUCSON — Southern California, rolling along in 1960 as it did during the previous 2 seasons, has retained its position as the nation's No. 1 college baseball team.

The Trojans, coached by Rod Dedeaux, won 21 out of a possible 30 first place votes to top runner-up Arizona by 52 points, 272-220.

The poll is conducted exclusively by COLLEGIATE BASEBALL and draws votes from throughout the country. Only 30 coaches voted in this rating with some college pilots failing to ballot because their clubs were busy on barnstorming trips.

The Trojans, national champions in 1958 and ineligible to de-

The Top Teams

TUCSON—Here are the nation's top teams as selected by the exclusive COLLEGIATE BASEBALL poll of coaches around the nation:

Pos.	Team	Points
1	Southern Calif. (21)	272
2	Arizona (2)	220
3	Oklahoma State (4)	204
4	Penn State (1)	113
	Western Michigan	113
6	Texas (1)	108
7	Minnesota	93
8	Missouri	64
9	California (1)	38
10	Connecticut	30

The second 10: Notre Dame, 29; Fresno State, 28; Clemson and Illinois, 26; Mississippi, 25; Florida State, 19; North Carolina, 18; Arizona State U and Rice, 10; Florida, 9.

Others: Los Angeles State and Wake Forest, 8; Ohio State, 7; Georgia, 6; Michigan, Indiana and Texas A&M, 5; Washington, Michigan State, Nebraska and Bradley, 4; Holy Cross, Colorado State College and Arkansas, 3; Yale, 2; UCLA, Colgate and SMU, 1.

fend their crown in 1959 because of an NCAA penalty, thus remained the only team ever to occupy the top rung.

The poll was originated last year by COLLEGIATE BASEBALL. It has been conducted 4 times and is now a regular feature of this newspaper during the final 6 issues of the season.

There was no change in the top 3 teams when compared against the top teams as announced March 18 as Oklahoma State continued to press Frank Sancet's Wildcats for the No. 2 spot.

There was some juggling among the top clubs, but only 1 newcomer climbed into the top 10. California, which looms as a strong contender against USC on the West Coast, climbed from 14 to 12th to the No. 9 spot. Notre Dame fell from ninth to 11th.

Filling out the top 10 were Penn State and Western Michigan, tied for fourth; Texas, sixth; Minnesota, seventh; Missouri, eighth; California and Connecticut, 10th.

A total of 38 teams received support in the balloting. Points were apportioned on a 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 basis.

Richmond May Press Champs

Colonials Are Rated No. 1 In S. C.

By STEVE GUBACK

RICHMOND, Va. — As if politics, increased taxes and new laws weren't enough, the folks in the Southern Conference have another worry that comes from the District of Columbia—George Washington University's baseball team.

The Colonials, who play their home games practically on the White House lawn, have been in the top spot almost as long as the Republicans.

GW has won or shared the Southern Conference championship for 4 consecutive years and Coach Bill Reinhart, who doesn't usually get excited about anything, has been acting suspiciously like he has the team to beat again.

"We've lost most of our hitting," says Reinhart, "so we'll be a different kind of a club — bet-

ter defensively. We could be as tough as last year, but it'll be a different kind of toughness."

The toughness is typified by 5-7 lefty Dennis Hill, who has compiled a remarkable 12-1 record in 2 varsity seasons. His only loss came in the 10th inning against Florida State in the NCAA District 3 playoffs last season, 3-2.

Hoping for a "Big 3" mound staff, Reinhart also plans to give Outfielder Jerry Powers (.313) a pitching try and has a bright rookie prospect in lefty Moe Houldin. The rebuilding elsewhere will center around Catcher Ron DeMelfi (.400) and Infielder Jay Donley (.363). Basketball stars Jon and Jeff Feldman, identical twins, also are on the squad.

Despite GW's imposing SC success string, the Colonials haven't

run roughshod over league opposition. Their winning margin was a scant half-game over Richmond last season and there could be another photo finish if Spider Coach Mac Pitt gets pitching depth.

Pitt has 4 members from the All-SC first or second teams returning, including pro prospects Tom Booker, an outfielder (.399), and Catcher Chuck Boone (.353). The club hit a lusty .302 last season and needs replacements only at first and third bases. Charlie Revere (7-2, 2.23 ERA) and Berry Swilling (2-2, 2.61 ERA) top the mound staff.

The Citadel, blessed with a solid 1-2 pitching punch of Dick Almes (10-2) and Ed Colby (8-2), rates the darkhorse role. The Bulldogs were a game out of first place last season and could take

it all of Outfielder Dick Jones, who fell to .300, bounces back with another year like his freshman campaign (.538).

Virginia Tech, fourth last season, has 3 of the league's top 10 hitters returning and only 3 graduation casualties. If Tech gets some pitching to back up Dickie Snead (.386), Travis Poole (.356) and Jimmy Graves (.356) it could challenge for the top spot. The best hurlers are vets Bill May and Sam Jackson. Late spring football drills, however, could rob the squad of some of its best talent.

West Virginia, always a first division threat, has Paul Chuma (8-2, 1.15 ERA), a crack southpaw pitcher, but will have an all-sophomore infield and a revamped outfield. Two standout prospects are Second baseman Paul Popovich

and Pitcher-outfielder Craig Mankin.

The rest of the clubs probably will jockey in the second division again with the play of untested sophs the key to any surprise. Furman apparently has the best chance to crack the upper-echelon if Outfielder Larry Abbott regains his '58 hitting form and if Pitcher Coco Meyer (6-6) gets some assistance.

VMI has to plug a hole through the middle, but could have a pitching gem in 6-4 Joe Gedro, a sophomore who starred in amateur baseball and on the basketball court. Davidson has genuine pitching woes while William and Mary, the SC's basement club for the past 2 seasons, has a new coach (Joe Agee), but still a serious need for hitting. The Indians batted only .209 as a team last season.

Tom Orton Back At Valparaiso

By BOB CULP

KALAMAZOO, Mich. — Valparaiso University, a Lutheran school with about 4,000 students located in Northern Indiana, is well-known in the Midwest as an athletic power in basketball and baseball. Coach of both sports for the Crusaders is likeable Emory Bauer, a 1934 Valpo athlete who returned to his alma mater.

Baseball Scoring Service Offered

ROSSVILLE, Ga. — A new weekly bulletin service for baseball scorers is now being offered by Wirt Gammon, veteran sports editor of the Chattanooga Times.

Baseball and softball scorers wishing to improve their work can contact Gammon to receive the weekly bulletin service in which he will answer all questions about scoring in addition to scoring tips.

Gammon has been scoring since 1915. He became official scorer for the Southern Assn. in 1932. In the 1940s he offered a similar scoring bulletin service for the National Assn. of Professional Baseball Leagues and also for the National Semipro Assn.

Freshman Makes Auspicious Start

SEGUIN, Tex. — Miffy Kaase, a freshman catcher for the Texas Lutheran College Bulldogs, made an impressive debut for the Lutherans in his collegiate career.

He stepped up to the plate against the Texas Longhorns as a pinch hitter and promptly whacked a 2-run homer over the rightfield fence at the 365-foot mark.

It was his first appearance in a collegiate contest.

Bauer's teams have won 5 Indiana Collegiate Conference titles in the past 9 seasons and he was selected ICC Coach of the Year last season after posting a 12-5 record and taking the ICC crown with a 10-2 mark.

Bauer sent his 1958 team into the 1958 NCAA District No. 4 playoffs—it was the first NCAA baseball tourney the Crusaders were invited to play in. And Valparaiso surprised always tough Notre Dame, taking a first round 10-4 victory over the Irish behind the strong right arm of Rich Beumer who graduated last June.

After spilling the Irish, Valpo lost out in its first attempt to reach Omaha, losing to champion Western Michigan which finished tied for third with Holy Cross in the World Series.

Bauer plays a rugged 18 game schedule this season and he has an experienced squad back. His top player is senior Tom Orton, who was named most valuable ICC player as a sophomore. The 6-2, 190-pound catcher is from Detroit and practically every major league team has bid for his services. Orton, who bats left-handed, hit .508 as a sophomore in 1958 and hit .333 as a junior. He has had only 2 errors in 336 chances in his last 2 seasons . . . and went errorless last year. Orton was a member of Coach John Kobs' Pan American team last summer.

Valpo will play Illinois 2 games and Purdue 1 in their feature games this season.

Nickname Doesn't Describe 1960 CSC Bears

GREELEY, Colo.—The Colorado State College "Bears" are a misnomer. Maybe they should be nicknamed the Colorado State College "Koalas."

On CSC's 19-player squad making a 6-game trip to New Mexico and Arizona were only 4 6-footers and one 200-pounder. And only 3 of these resemble a bear in stature: 6-foot, 200-pounder Paul Chamberlain; 6-foot, 190-pounder Ron English; and 5-feet-10, 185-pounder Joe Duca.

Pitcher Cisco Carlos is 6-foot-2, 190 pounds. But the 15 other members are small in stature, ranging from 5-feet-7, 150-pounders Bob Preisendorf and Kent Olson to 6-foot, 175-pounder John Bradley.

Hurler Don Herrick is 5-feet-10, 165 pounds, while the 3 lefties, Ernie Andrade, Jerry Maglia and Frank Carbalaj, are 5-feet-9 and weigh 160, 145 and 155, respectively.

Centerfielder Olson is joined in the outfield by 167-pound, 5-foot-9 Norm Idleberg.

5 Top Pitchers Back At S. Illinois

CARBONDALE, Ill.—Southern Illinois, which posted a 27-9 record last year and won the I.I.A.C. championship, looks strong again this season.

Five pitchers, who compiled a 26-7 mark in 1959 return, with sophomore Larry Tucker of St. Louis (9-0 and 0.93 ERA) as the chief hopeful.

Bob Hardcastle, all-NAIA shortstop and leading conference hitting, returns along with his key-stone mate, Itchy Jones. Captain Carroll Bridges, a veteran, is back for another fling in the outfield.

Almes Beginning 'Where He Ended'

CHARLESTON, S.C. — The best thing about Pitcher Dick Almes, says Citadel Coach Marck Erwin, is that Almes is beginning where he ended.

If that sounds a bit confusing, consider the plight of the baffled opposition.

Almes, a 5-11, 170-pounder from Lindenhurst, N.Y., won his final 10 games last season — and has started this year off with back-to-back victories over Oglethorpe and Clemson.

"It looks as if Almes is beginning just as he finished," says Erwin, who has reason to be particularly delighted by that development. Heretofore, Almes had been considered a slow starter. Last season, for instance, he lost his first 2 games before launching the winning streak which now numbers a dozen games.

A ready and willing competitor, Almes pitched more innings than any Southern Conference hurler in 1958 and 1959. Although this is only his junior season, the right-hander already has set one modern Southern Conference record — 127 strikeouts last season.

Showing that he's lost none of his touch, Almes stilled Oglethorpe with only 4 hits and whiffed 13 in an 8-2 victory. Against Clemson, last year's Atlantic Coast Conference champion, Almes sweated out an 8-5 victory with an 8-hitter.

Almes showed exceptional potential even as a freshman, getting a shot at and winning a varsity berth. He posted a 7-3 record in his first whirl and moved it up to 10-2 last season.

A hard thrower, Almes has been known to be wild — except with men on base. "He always seems to save something for the clutch," says Erwin. "That's why he's the top-flight college pitcher that he is."

Ex-Huskie Coach Dies

SEATTLE — An explosion of noise rocked Edmundson Pavilion on a few days ago as the state high school basketball tournament raced toward its exciting climax.

But for one meaningful moment, the University of Washington fieldhouse was swept with silence. Eleven thousand fans paused to pay tribute to the memory of Dorsett V. (Tubby) Graves — a man who devoted his life to collegiate sports.

Graves, who died recently at the age of 73, was probably best known for his work with the Huskie baseball teams.

Tubby had coached Texas A&M football teams through 3 consecutive undefeated seasons and had been active in professional baseball before joining the Washington staff in 1922 as head baseball coach and assistant in football and basketball.

He guided the Huskies diamond-men through 25 rewarding seasons in a career highlighted by 8 championship campaigns.

After retiring from coaching, Graves continued to serve University of Washington sports. Officially, his title was special assistant to the athletic director. Actually, he was a friend, confidant and a counselor to the young athletes. That's probably the way he'd have liked to be remembered.

S. C. Composite Schedule

RICHMOND—Southern Conference baseball teams, probing for weak spots, had almost a 2-week shakedown cruise before launching league warfare this season.

The first conference activity wasn't ticketed until March 30 when Richmond, last year's SC runner-up, went into the Carolinas to play The Citadel and Davidson on successive days.

By then, however, most SC skippers had their lineups pretty well set. The first 15 early-season games were scheduled against non-conference opposition.

Furman had the most ambitious pre-conference agenda. Before playing their first league game, the Hornets scheduled an 11-game tuneup.

The composite schedule: April 8—Harvard at Richmond, VMI at GW, Oberlin at Davidson. 9—W.M. at The Citadel (2), Waynesburg at West Virginia, Furman at Newberry, Oberlin at Davidson. 11—W.M. at Davidson (2), Furman at South Carolina. 12—New Haven State at Virginia Tech, West Virginia Wesleyan at West Virginia, W&Y at GW. 13—The Citadel at Richmond, Marshall at Virginia Tech, VMI at Virginia. 14—The Citadel at Randolph-Ma-

con, West Virginia at High Point, Vermont at GW.

April 15—Virginia Tech at W&M, West Virginia at Furman. 16—W.M. at Randolph-Macon, Virginia Tech at Richmond, The Citadel at GW, West Virginia at Davidson. 18—West Virginia at W&M (2), The Citadel at Guilford. 19—Richmond at VMI, The Citadel at Duke, Newberry at Furman. 20—Richmond at W&L, West Virginia at West Virginia Wesleyan, Georgetown at GW. 21—Virginia Tech at VMI, 22—Furman at Virginia Tech (2), Mercer at The Citadel, Belmont Abbey at Davidson. 23—W.M. at W&L, Mercer at The Citadel, GW at West Virginia (2), Furman at VMI (2). 25—W.M. at Virginia Tech. 26—W.M. at VMI, The Citadel at South Carolina, Bethany at West Virginia, Furman at Wofford, Davidson at Wake Forest. 27—Richmond at GW, Wake Forest at Virginia Tech, West Virginia at Penn State. 29—W.M. at GW, The Citadel at VMI (2). 30—Richmond at W&M, Virginia Tech at West Virginia (2), Furman at Davidson (2).

May 2—Furman at W&M (2), GW at Richmond. 3—FITT at West Virginia, Peiffer at Davidson (2). 4—Virginia Tech at GW, South Carolina at The Citadel. 5—VMI at W&M. 6—VMI at Richmond, Davidson at Virginia Tech, The Citadel at Furman. 7—GW at W&M.

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Editorial Comment**Aid The A-A Committee**

State College (of any state of your choosing) has an outstanding baseballer.

The kid has hit .440, driven in 50 runs and his fielding is a cool .985.

But when the year-end honors are passed out the State College kid doesn't show up on the All-American squad.

What happened?

Well, 4 out of 5 times it's the fault of the coach or the district. Most likely the boy's name and performance were never brought to the attention of the All-American committee of the American Assn. of College Baseball Coaches.

Collegiate baseball is divided into 8 NCAA districts from 1 coast to another. Each district annually selects an All-District team. These

teams plus the district committee selections are forwarded to the All-America committee headed by Oregon State's Ralph Coleman.

At College World Series time in Omaha, Coleman and his committee spend many days going over the records sent them before the All-American squad is selected.

But Coleman's committee cannot do an outstanding job unless the groundwork is laid—first by the coach who sends in complete reports on his players to the district selection committee and secondly by the district selection committee which sends in All-America recommendations.

All-American selections are the responsibility of the coaches. Make it your responsibility.

Press Box**Why Not Get Along?**

By ABE CHANIN

College Baseball Editor

A veteran major league baseball scout told us the other day that he doesn't see any reason for strained relations with collegiate baseball coaches.

"Some day there will be a pro-college agreement," the west coast scout for a National League club said, "but even now there's no reason for enmity between coaches and scouts."

"As far as my own relations with collegiate coaches, I have a few rules I always follow when I visit a college campus or a high school playing field to scout talent.

"The first thing I do is to drop in on the coach. If I haven't met him before, I introduce myself to him. I make very clear my purpose for the visit and also make it clear which club I represent.

"And I have always found it of great help in my scouting to get some tips from the coach about his players.

Correspondent's Corner**Leave 'Mr. Average' Alone!**

By BOB CULP

District 4 Correspondent

KALAMAZOO, Mich.—Collegiate baseball coaches and pro owners agree that an equitable agreement should be reached, and several unsuccessful attempts or suggestions have been offered by each of the warring camps. This is still another idea or possible solution.

It has been said by observers that the pro leagues should give equal monies to schools when their standout players have been grabbed for bonuses. It was also uttered (by none other than Cleveland boss Frank Lane) that our colleges are supposed to train or prepare boys for a "successful adult life. And if a boy can make anywhere from \$60,000 to \$80,000 playing baseball, why shouldn't he do it while he has the chance?" Some coaches advocate a basic bonus-rule allowing a flat sum for anyone in whom the leagues are interested.

CULP
This reporter had a heart-to-heart talk with Charlie Maher of Western Michigan University, one of the most-respected veteran collegiate coaches in the game today.

Maher has 7 players on present major league rosters and numerous others in the minor leagues. Our discussion showed immediately that far too many average ball players were being lured before they completed college for too little bonus money, and that those who have done the bidding, for the most part, have not had the boys' best interests at heart.

Most collegiate players are taken on a small bonus for a look-see 'tryout'; in other words, the buyers weren't convinced from the start that most would have a chance at making the 'big show' or, even less, staying there.

Since most minor leagues are already out of existence, and since collegiate baseball is the fastest growing of all sports, an equitable solution to collegiate raiding must be reached. With the formation of a third major league underway, it's certainly going to be worse...not better.

Ideally, if all persons involved would use integrity and leave the average players alone, at least until they are through college, probably most people would be satisfied in the collegiate game.

But those players who are lured by \$4,000 or \$5,000 contracts should be told their chances of becoming a major leaguer are remote, and the collegian should also be made to realize that

"If the coach has a boy he feels has a chance to make the grade in pro ball, I then find out what the boy's status is in regard to his education. Does he plan to pursue his studies? Are his grades good? And what are his future plans about baseball?

"A coach, I've found, can give you these answers even better than the youngster himself.

"And I've had many good tips from college coaches because they feel they can trust me not to urge a youngster to drop from school just to sign a minor league contract.

"I try to work with the coaches and I've found they work with me.

"And I'll tell you another thing. I've found that I can be of help to the college coach, too. I pass along many tips about promising high school players and there have been several times when coaches have asked me to come to the practice field to help some of their players.

"Listen, why not get along. It's all in the sport, isn't it?"

a college education is estimated to be worth \$130,000 more in future earnings over his lifetime compared to a non-collegian's. No one should be robbed of his chance to make good. And probably no one would then disagree with Frank Lane when he discusses \$80,000 bonuses. Here the boys' best interests would be served. If this is not done, the intent of all concerned is simply superficial.

Coach Maher agreed that he wouldn't stand in the way of a collegian's chance to make \$50,000 or more on a signing because then the lad would surely have the funds and probably the desire to eventually finish his education. And, Arizona's coach Frank Sanctet (as quoted in January 1958) agreed, too. After Jerry Robinson of Arizona signed a \$50,000 bonus contract with the San Francisco Giants, he long distanced his coach, Frank Sanctet. After explaining the terms, he said, "Are you mad at me, Coach?" Sanctet replied, "Hell no, I'm envious." Sanctet's comment would have been unprintable if his star player had gotten "peanuts" as most are presently getting. For the several large bonuses which are highly-publicized, there are uncountable small or token bonuses given.

In Maher's case, when Western Michigan's 6-7 first baseman Ron Jackson was signed by the Chicago White Sox in 1954, Maher was happy that Jackson received ample reward for leaving college. He's happy, too, that Jackson (now with Boston) just completed his college work before heading for spring training in Arizona.

The college degree is something no one can buy; and, of course, it takes hard work to obtain one. It also, pointed out Maher, assures and insures generally that a ball player will have something to look forward to when his playing days are over.

Signings, then, seem to be an individual thing. If a player is going to sign, he should be advised properly. The leagues probably should not try to sign as many as they do. And if they are interested in undergraduates, the pros should offer substantial bonuses to the chosen few so that the 'kids' have better odds at making the leagues. Promiscuous signings must stop for benefit to both groups. Colleges today have replaced the non-existent leagues and are now training the future league material. If all parties would remember this and be fair about it, the real interest of the boys would be served and both groups would benefit from it. No doubt, about it—why shouldn't both groups cooperate?

PLEASE LEAVE MR. AVERAGE BALL PLAYER ALONE UNTIL HE FINISHES COLLEGE!

The Coaching Box

WINTER PARK, Fla.—Thirty to 60 minutes will be dropped and baseball will become a faster and more exciting game if Rollins Mentor Joe Justice's "streamlined" rules get inter-collegiate blessing.

His drive to keep the game alive, without damaging any of its glamor, scored a major success last year when Amherst, New York University and Ohio State agreed to give it a work-out in a week of "streamlined doubleheaders."

Justice, who is well known in the baseball world for his pioneering drive, is positive that if the coaches go along with his plan, the new system will gain even wider national recognition than it did in 1959.

A live-wire on and off the diamond, Justice has been intensely interested in baseball improvement since his undergraduate days.

His plan, as applied during the week, calls for:

1. No warm-up pitches between innings. Pitchers may warm up on the sideline while their team is at bat.

2. No tossing of the ball around the infield after each out. Infielders will not take warm-up tosses between innings.

3. Both offensive and defensive teams must run on and off the field when switching positions between innings.

4. The team at bat may be allowed a courtesy runner for the pitcher any time after he has reached base safely without having to leave the game. This exception is made in order to give him a chance to take warm-up tosses on the sidelines if he so desires.

5. Courtesy runners will be allowed for the catcher after 2 men are out so that he may have time to get his catching gear adjusted without delaying the game.

6. Intentional passes to first base may be handed out by the defensive team without pitching to the batter. The umpire may award first base at the request of the pitcher.

As Joe points out, none of these changes break in on the basic rules of the game. They only streamline it, eliminate wasted motion and give it an impression of constant motion, not mentioning the 30 minutes they cut off singles and 60 minutes off doubleheaders.

Joe is convinced, as only a dedicated man can be, that this is the answer to many of the problems facing the ball game.

Try-out was held here last year when the Tars met Amherst. The resulting contest was completed in an hour and 35 minutes.

The National Assn. of Professional Baseball Clubs, parent organization of the minor leagues headed by George Trautman, has expressed interest in the plan. They, with others, schools, colleges, and teams and perhaps the years of conviction and painstaking work that Joe put in his plan will finally bear fruit to the benefit of the nation's favorite pastime.

Michigan Winner On First Spring Junket Into West

TUCSON, Ariz.—The University of Michigan took its first baseball trip into the cactus country and Coach Don Lund called the junket "a great success."

The Big 10 ball club put together a record of 8 wins and 3 losses.

Michigan split a 2-game series with the University of Arizona's front-running Wildcats, won 4 straight from Davis-Monthan Air Force Base; and also swept a series from Wyoming. Bud Daniel's Wyoming ball club also was on tour of Arizona at the same time.

Beside the loss to Arizona, Michigan was handed defeats by rising Arizona State University at Tempe.

Lund said he found the Arizona weather "perfect for conditioning." The Michigan crew had sunny weather every day and even found it warm enough to play a night game.

"I hope we'll be able to repeat this trip west. The climate is wonderful and we found the people very hospitable."

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Ferry Takes Club To Training Camp

SEATTLE — Along with the Yanks, the Dodgers and the Phillies, the Seattle Pacific Falcons have been caught up in the spring training grind.

The small Northwest college couldn't afford to send its athletes to Florida, but did the next best thing. The Falcons took a ferry to Whidby Island, located in Puget Sound, for a week-long spring training session at Camp Casey, which is owned by the school.

Dick Kamm, in his first year as Falcon coach, is building his squad around veterans John Knaplund, last year's mound ace; Infielders Bob Morris and Don Wright, Outfielder Doug Weeks and Catcher Dick Mogg.

OSC Wins Lewiston Turney

High Scores Feature Banana Belt Action

By JOHN OWEN

SEATTLE — The 3-day tourney at Lewiston, Idaho, was titled the Banana Belt Tournament, and it proved to be well named.

Sluggers from Oregon State, Washington State, Idaho and Montana bashed out an average of 12 runs per game in the round-robin affair won by the OSC Beavers.

While the other 3 teams were knocking each other off by lopsided scores, the Beavers sneaked through for the victory. They edged Washington State, 4-3, followed with a 4-3 win over Idaho and then tied Montana, 5-5. The pitching of Gary Moore and the hitting of Gary Droscher played a large part in the Beavers' triumph.

The Beavers thus established themselves as the team to beat in the forthcoming Northern Division campaign. But Washington State looked rough in walloping Idaho, 18-1, and Montana, 14-0, and Oregon has yet to be heard from.

Washington's Huskies opened their campaign on a promising note, winning 2 of 5 games in California, despite the fact the teams they faced are at least a couple of weeks ahead in experience. Washington split with California, lost to San Jose State and Santa Clara but then finished the tour with a victory over University of San Francisco.

Hurler Phil Swinney lost a 10-inning, 1-0 heartbreaker to the Bears, but came back with an impressive relief appearance against San Jose and in between times managed to clobber the ball at a .467 clip while seeing action as a pinch-hitter, first baseman and left fielder.

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3 Teams Boast Top California Records

By GEORGE WATSON

LOS ANGELES — Southern California (12-3), Pepperdine (13-4) and Los Angeles State (9-2) boast of the top records in this area as their 1960 collegiate baseball season moves toward the half-way point.

Rod Dedeaux's SC Trojans, rated the nation's No. 1 team by COLLEGIATE BASEBALL, were beaten in mid-March by Cal Poly of San Luis Obispo. The Mustangs won, 9-7.

Outside this "upset" loss, the Trojans have been rambling. Recently the SC club finished a 4-game home-and-home series with Fresno State, which finished third in the NCAA last year, by taking 3-out-of-4 from Pete Beiden's talented club.

The Diablos of L.A. State won 8 in a row before losing to Arizona in Tucson. Many experts say this is the finest team in L.A. State history. During the Arizona invasion, the Devils captured 1 tilt in a 3-game series.

Pepperdine has won 7 straight and is improving in every outing despite a rash of minor injuries that has hit John Scolinos' club. The Peps have been pounding

the long ball to insure victories and boast of the team having won the most games at this point in the '60 campaign.

"Big guns" for the 3 schools have been Third sacker Bob Hammett of Pepperdine; Pitcher Bruce Gardner of SC; and Flyhawk David Griffith of L.A. State.

Hammett, a rangy senior, has belted 6 home runs in the Waves' last 8 games, including a tremendous 450-foot homer at San Diego against the Marine Recruit Depot.

Gardner has twirled 3 victories, including a nifty 6-hitter in pacing the Trojans to a 5-3 win over Fresno. He also hurled a 7-hitter against the Bulldogs earlier in the season.

The talented SC twirler retired 17 batters in a row at one point in the 5-3, 6-hit victory over Fresno State.

Griffith is socking the ball at a .500 clip for L.A. State. His big bat has been one of the main features in Diablos' 9-2 mark.

DISTRICT 8 L.A. AREA NOTES — Dick Salomon, flyhawk from San Diego State, and Roger Hull, outfielder from Long Beach State, are hitting at a .500 clip

in CCAA ranks . . . They join Griffith as the loop's top hitters . . . L.A. State is given the best chance in the CCAA to give Fresno State a battle for the crown . . . El Camino showed plenty of class in winning the Metropolitan JC Tourney crown recently . . . Joining the ranks of the powerful independent collegiate clubs is Cal Poly of Pomona . . . Scolinos, says the Cal Poly club is loaded — and will be heard in all quarters this season . . . Catcher Clark Rex (.375) and First baseman Cliff Warren (.348) are leading Pepperdine average wise . . . Art Reiche's UCLA Bruins are improving rapidly after getting off to a slow start . . . They've topped the improvement with a twin-win over Stanford . . . Pitcher Dave Weiner has twirled good ball for the Bruins . . . Mel Melsheimer (.444) and Carl Riefer (.438) have paced Occidental to an 8-1 record. Four of the wins were picked up by Pitcher Bob Proctor . . . Larry Johnson's .314 topped Pomona batters after 16 games . . . Gene Tagliaferri has compiled a 3-0 mound mark and a .545 batting average as San Jose has won 7, lost 5 and tied 1 . . .

TALLAHASSEE — Ohio State's Buckeyes and Georgia's Bulldogs had a game cancelled here recently under circumstances that were somewhat unusual.

No uniforms.

Coach Marty Karow's Buckeyes arrived here in plenty of time for the game, making the trip from Columbus, Ohio, by chartered plane. But the Ohio State equipment — shoes, uniforms, gloves, etc. — got side-tracked somewhere.

When their gear did arrive, the Buckeyes made hay in the Florida sunshine. Ohio State came from behind in both games the next day to top Georgia, 10-3, and hand Florida State its first 1960 loss, 13-7.

Far West Schools Get 'Vacation'

Easter Trips Planned By Several Teams

By BOB LAW

BERKELEY, Calif. — Spring vacation week comes up next for many of the Far Western schools before they engage in important conference competition.

While Fresno State, the defending champion, is the lone non-Southern California contestant in the Marine Invitational double-elimination tournament at San Diego, California makes its inaugural Easter week visit to Arizona to play a series with the State U Sun Devils, and Los Angeles State's hot nine and Long Beach State invade the Bay Area.

LA State plays a doubleheader with the coming-along San Jose State Spartans Monday night.

The pace-setters in the West Coast Athletic Conference clash April 20 at Santa Clara's Washington Park and April 29 at San Jose Municipal Stadium.

California, 12-2 and off to a fast start in the California Intercollegiate Baseball Assn., uses its Arizona sojourn as a prelude to the April 29-30 crucials with the sterling Southern California Trojans at Los Angeles.

Both SC and Cal measured Fresno State, the Trojans winning 3 of 4 and Cal 2 of 3 from last year's NCAA third placers. Jerry McDonald, Bulldog sophomore, earned the pitching depth-shy Fresno's conquests over both CIBA powerhouses.

The California-Washington series, split 2-1 for the Huskies and 1-0 for Cal, was one of the best in recent years on Berkeley's Edwards Field. Bill Jacobsen for Washington and sophomore Bill Oakley for Cal were the winning pitchers in the 2 10-inning contests. Dale Parker's Huskies wound up with a 2-3 Bay Area record, beating USF.

California assumed undisputed first place in the CIBA by edging Stanford, 4-3 for a 3-0 record.

Junior Jerry Montgomery lasted for another Cal win, but the big winner for the Bears is senior fork-baller Ted Settle (4-0), who has been outstanding in his last 2 games against Fresno State and Sacramento State. The senior right-hander has had an .88 ERA, with 44 strike outs, 27 hits, and 17 walks. Cal's mound staff boasts a 1.88 ERA.

Settle, veteran hurler whose home is in South Pasadena, Calif., set a new all-time CIBA record of 18 strikeouts in the season opener at Santa Clara on March 25.

The following afternoon UCLA's Vern Pritchett of Ontario, Calif., tied the former record of 14 whiffs against Stanford.

San Francisco State, with fine hurling from sophomore left-hander Fred Gossler, has shown surprisingly well in the practice campaign, while perennial Far West Conference king-pin Sacramento State has been only mediocre.

Rice Owls Still SWC 'Bigwig'

Kristinik Impressive In League Opener; Longhorns, Baylor Deadlocked For Second

By JOE HEILING

AUSTIN, TEX.—Rice and Texas are the most mentioned "big wigs" in the Southwest Conference. And right now, they're sitting 1 and 2 in the race, with Baylor tied for second.

Rice, winner of a wild 10-9 decision in the conference opener, sets the pace with a 2-0 record.

Rice, at publication time of this issue, was the only undefeated team in the SWC. The Owls, coached by Dell Morgan, won their second game by edging Texas A&M, 4-3. They won a wild 10-9 contest in their opener against TCU.

Texas, meanwhile, began to get pitching help from sophomores, and moved up with wins over SMU and Texas A&M. Texas and Baylor both won 2 of their first 3 conference games.

TCU was 2-2, while Texas A&M, the defending champion, and SMU were 1-3.

Rice's pitching-rich staff failed to impress in the opener, but Third baseman Kristinik did. Kristinik homered to the matters in the ninth and Rice won it on Al Hartman's single. The Owls next game with Texas was rained out.

SMU, a failure in a 16-6 thrashing by Texas A&M, rode the smart 3-hit pitching of Lefty Jerry Wolff to a 3-0 win over Baylor. Shortstop David Thornton batted in 2 of the Mustang runs.

TCU, which extended Rice all the way, had to go 10 innings to lift a 5-4 triumph from Texas A&M, the defending champ. Left fielder Charles Franklin was forced in with the decisive run when A&M's David Pitcock walked Frog Pitcher Darrel Read with the bases loaded.

Stout relief pitching by home-grown product Bobby Barnett pulled Baylor past Texas in the SWC opener. Barnett permitted the hard-hitting Longhorns only 2 hits in 5 2/3 innings. Baylor Third baseman Dick Hatcher had a perfect 3-for-3 at the plate, with 2 RBIs.

Catcher Randy Wortham's grand-slam homer provided the impetus for A&M in the opening success over SMU. Pitcock was the winner in relief of Olen Jordan.

The University of Houston launched its campaign with a 5-2

Holmstrom Takes Matters Into Own Hands

SEGUIN, Tex.—David Holmstrom, first sacker for the Texas Lutheran College Bulldogs, took matters into his own hands recently when the Lutherans were playing Southwestern University.

The lefthander took over pitching duties in the seventh with the Bulldogs trailing, 9-5. After the Lutherans tied it at 9-9 in the eighth, Holmstrom smacked a grand slam homer in the ninth with 2 men down to give TLC a 13-9 win.

He whiffed 5, gave up but 2 hits in his 3 inning winning stint on the mound.

Ithaca Picks Leaders

ITHACA — Amleto (Mel) Giarolo, left fielder from Croton-on-Hudson, and Brian Mee, catcher from Johnstown, have been elected co-captains of the Ithaca College varsity baseball team.

triumph over Texas A&M before splitting a pair with touring Minnesota. The Cougars took the first game, 5-4, then bowed, 5-1.

Houston, with Coach Lovette Hill starting his 11th season, returns its batting leader, Third baseman Fred Green (.325), and a veteran pitcher in Bobby Peters (4-3, 1.93 ERA as a sophomore) among others. Peters was a 6-hit victor over A&M.

Sam Houston State, one of District 6's strongest independents, found the Minnesota Gophers a little too powerful. Minnesota won a doubleheader, 6-2 and 9-5, before finally going down before Sam Houston, 15-14. The Bearcats are 8-4 on the season.

Texas Tech, which doesn't compete in Southwest Conference play, opened with a 19-8 licking at the hands of A&M, then Rice trimmed the Red Raiders, 4-0.

ASU Eyes State Crown In Arizona

But Cats Nation's Winningest Team

TUCSON — Arizona's Wildcats are going to have their hands full in winning the state championship this year.

While the Cats have been busy posting a 19-4 record, Bobby Winkles' Arizona State University club has recorded a 17-4 mark.

The Sun Devils took series from Utah State, 4-0; Wyoming, 3-0; Colorado State College and Colorado State University, 2-0; Michigan, 2-0; and split a 4-game set with Utah.

The 2 clubs will meet 4 times this season and many observers are giving the Devils a good chance of winning or breaking even in the series.

The Devils have been paced thus far by the hitting of John Regoli and John Jacobs; and the pitching of Ernie Panek and Bob Kavagian.

Frank Sancet's Wildcats, in becoming the nation's winningest team, have been paced by the big bats of Alan Hall and Bill (The Bear) Barracough.

After 20 games, Hall was hitting at a .408 clip and Barracough at .390.

Barracough was leading the club in runs-batted in with 32; triples with 8; and hits with 32. Hall was tops in home runs with 4 and doubles with 8. He had 20 RBIs.

The Arizona pitching has been spread among 9 hurlers. Jim Ward was 3-0 with a 2.88 earned-run-average. Marv Dutt and Miles Zeller had also won 3, but Dutt had 1 defeat and Zeller 2. Other pitchers are Jim Geist, 2-0; Mark Clarke, 1-1; Gordon Bergthold, 2-0; Bob Encinas, 2-0; Harry Jones, 1-0; and Bob Jordan, 0-0.

On the junior college scene, Phoenix College is booming along toward the national tournament. Led by Pitcher Rennie Crittenden, the Bears have defeated such 4-year schools as Arizona State College, Utah State and Wyoming.

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'Frostbite' Games Open In East

By BILL NEWELL

HARTFORD, Conn. — Frostbite baseball, the kind generally played by college teams in New England at the outset of the season, begins tomorrow, but a number of teams which annually seek warmer climes for spring vacation games have been up to their old tricks.

It is considered something of a phenomena by many hardy New Englanders, still digging their property out of winter snow storms, that teams which have not seen the light of day even once, except through the grimy windows of a gym or field house, can go to the Carolinas or Florida in March and beat teams well ahead in training.

'Shorties' Spark Baseball Club At Maine

ORONO, Me. — It's a good thing they aren't playing basketball!

That will probably be a typical spectator comment this spring when the University of Maine's baseball team appears on the scene.

The club's tentative starting lineup averages a heaping 5' 7" at the moment without a 6 footer in the group.

Shortest man on the totem pole is Shortstop Woody Dunphy, who stands just 5' 5". He's surrounded by Third baseman Ed Ranconi (5' 11"), Second baseman Deane Deshon (5' 7") and First baseman Phil Curtis (5' 11"). Outfielders are Bill Livesay (5' 6"), Tom Valiton (5' 6") and Ray Weed (5' 8"). Behind the plate is Sal Garro (5' 7").

"One thing's for sure," Coach Jack Butterfield commented. "We won't frighten anyone to death."

AIC Picks Captain

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — Ernie Barton, outstanding hockey and baseball player at American International College for the past 2 years, has been elected captain of the AIC baseball team for the coming season.

It happens every spring, though. And again this year, such old line schools as Yale, Amherst, Colby, Springfield, Williams and Dartmouth more than held their own in Southern games. These teams normally are among the strongest in District I anyway, although they are topped by Holy Cross, which does not go South, and lately by Connecticut, which passed up a bus ride this season because of a late spring vacation.

News from most New England colleges, baseball news, that is, is still barely trickling out. But it should start soon, now that the touring clubs have returned to home bases to join their less fortunate brethren.

One of the earliest games scheduled was Saturday, April 2, when

Coast Guard Academy was to open against Bowdoin at New London. The Cadets have a new coach in Carl Selin, who replaced deposed Nels Nitchman. It was considered little short of a miracle, though, that ground crews put the Cadet diamond, on the very bank of the Thames River, in condition for play. Where snow has melted hereabouts it has been replaced by ankle deep mud, and the rains haven't begun yet.

Yale, coached by that old National League veteran Ethan Allen, started off 3-0 in the Carolinas, winning the Camp Lejeune round robin. Two reasons for the good start (the Elis were a poor 7-20-3 last year) are the presence of sophomore Pitchers Ruly Carpenter and Johnny Murphy.

Carpenter is the son of Philadelphia Phillies' prexy Bob, and Murphy is the offspring of Johnny Murphy, the famous Yankee relief hurler now director of minor league operations for the Red Sox.

Three early-season games will give a pretty good idea of strength in Southern New England. Yale opens with Wesleyan at Middletown, Conn., April 9, meets Springfield at New Haven, April 12, and then hosts Connecticut, April 16.

It is still too early to get much of a line on league races such as the Eastern Intercollegiate (partly in District 1), Yankee, Maine, Vermont, Metropolitan Boston and Little Three, etc.

Connecticut has perhaps the most unusual problem as it readies for an April 12 opener at Rhode Island. Coach J. O. Christian has 12 pitchers on his squad which currently numbers 31 and is having a real headache cutting to a workable staff, for the Huskies have only 17 games. However, if trading were permissible in college ball, he'd gladly give up a few to bolster an outfield completely shorn by graduation.

Incidentally, Connecticut will put a long district win streak on the line April 12. The UConn's won 17 straight last Spring and their last New England setback came in June of 1958 when Holy Cross took a 2-1 decision in the finals of the District 1 playoffs.

But Kansas Not A Contender

Holler Holds Hawk Hopes

By BILL RICHARDSON

KANSAS CITY—Kansas is still too short in all departments to be a contender for the Big 8 title, yet the Jayhawks have high hopes pinned to Pitcher Tom Holler (5-4 and 3.68 ERA last year) and Catcher Tom Dorney, a transfer from Spring Hill, Ala.

K.U. has potential pitching depth behind Holler but may come up shy in the hitting department. Ineligible is Curtis Melton, the club's long-ball hitting outfielder. John Hadl, who could fill the breech, is tied up learning a new position in spring football and is listed as doubtful.

Kansas State, with 14 of 17 lettermen returning, expects to considerably improve over last year's seventh place entry. Best of the Wildcats are Dick Skelton, senior righthander who worked 4 games last season; Shortstop Al Thaemert, leading batter among the regulars and an excellent glove man; and Terry Knowles, senior catcher.

Both Kansas and Kansas State will be playing on new diamonds this spring. K.U.'s field, adjacent to its large fieldhouse, has been named for E. C. Quigley, popular former athletic director and at one time a National League umpire.

K-State's new lay-out is near the campus and should help the Wildcats draw better support from the student body. Games were formerly played in Griffith

Field, a municipal facility 2 miles across town in Manhattan.

DISTRICT 5 NOTES: Bob Lee, a former professional player in the Dodger chain, has taken the reins at Washburn University in Topeka. He is filling in for Marion McDonald, who suffered a heart condition during the basketball season.

Kansas City University also came up with a coaching change when Shelby Brightwell succeeded Dick Brummit, who resigned to enter private business. Brightwell also handled the Kangaroo basketball team.

If this is Bob Brasher's last season at Central college in Fayette, Mo., he plans to make the most of it. The young coach, who announced last fall that he would step out at the end of the school year, listed a 39-game schedule for the Eagles. Included was a 12-game Southern spring trip.

Houston's decision to drop from the Missouri Valley conference means this will be the last spring of loop competition for the Cougars. If the conference doesn't add another member to the south, only Tulsa and Wichita will be left to battle for the Valley's division title. North Texas has not fielded a team in past years.

Oberlin Uniforms Brighten Eyes

TUCSON — If a Mexican Little League team shows up in the national tournament with familiar uniforms, don't worry. They're the former Oberlin College baseball uniforms which Coach Bob Kretschmer sent to COLLEGiate BASEBALL for distribution to less-chance youngsters in Mexico.

The huge box of uniforms — plus some fine, used baseballs — was taken to Mexico by COLLEGiate BASEBALL. And Mike De La Fuente, former University of Texas pitcher who now lives in Nogales, Sonora, distributed the uniforms to less-chance youngsters who take to American baseball quicker than to chili and beans.

In addition 6 dozen used baseballs, shipped by Ralph Coleman, Oregon State baseball coach, have been sent to Mexico for distribution.

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Harris Breaks Bone

MUNICE, Ind. — Carl Harris, Ball State's all-conference pitcher, broke a small bone above his left ankle in a sliding drill recently.

In Same Inning

8 Pinch Hitters Used

AUSTIN, Tex. — Texas Lutheran College may have set, and certainly came close to, one of the oddest records in collegiate baseball here when the Bulldogs absorbed a 15-6 defeat at the hands of the University of Texas.

TLC Coach Buzzy Keller employed an almost unbelievable 8 pinch-hitters in the ninth inning as his team scored twice to narrow Texas' winning margin. Dennis DeDear, hitting for Outfielder Frank Arnold, reached base on an error to lead off the TLC ninth. Miffy Kaase, subbing for First baseman David Holmstrom, homered over the right center field wall.

Billy Russell, batting for Third baseman Steve Maurer, struck out. John Lindsey, in

relief of Centerfielder Billy Larson, walked.

Santos Ortiz, pinching for Catcher Jim Green, erased Lindsey on a fielder's choice. Richard Stark, batting for Pitcher Dick Carley, walked.

Joe Carmichael, swinging for Second baseman Eddie Marberger, walked to load the bases. But then Ronnie Pinckard, batting for Left fielder Roger Wilke, hit into an unassisted force at third base to end the marathon.

In summary, the frame went from "b" through "i" under the pinch-hitters' summary column in the box score and added up 2 runs, 1 hit, 1 error, 3 men left on base. Every Bulldog hitter in the inning was a substitute.

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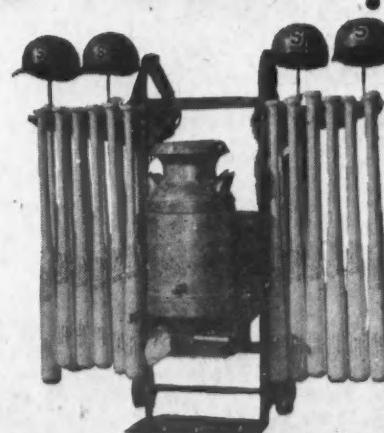
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Texans Posting Football-Like Scores

AUSTIN — University of Texas baseball fans are wondering these days whether Coach Bibb Falk's Longhorns are playing baseball or football.

Three of UT's half-dozen victories have come by scores more appropriate to the gridiron than to the baseball diamond. The Longhorns downed Oklahoma earlier by a 12-6 count and then came back to defeat Minnesota, 21-14 and 13-7.

There may be a reason, though, for the confusion.

Three of Falk's baseballers are 2 sport men who played important roles on the SWC co-championship football team last fall — Bart Shirley, Mike Cotten and David Kristynik.

Shirley, an alternate halfback in football, is running as No. 1 shortstop for the baseballers. Cotten, the alternate quarterback, and Kristynik, a spirited alternate guard, are reserve catchers for Falk's team.

Skyline East Continuing Pattern

Early Action Marked By Balanced Play

By PAUL MOLONEY

GREELEY, Colo. — Balanced play has been characteristic of the Skyline conference's eastern division in the past few years, and it is evident again this year.

In divisional games through March 26, New Mexico, Denver and Colorado Aggies were .500. The Pioneers and CSU each split a series at New Mexico.

A cancelled game in 1957 made the difference with Denver winning the divisional title with a 6-5 won-lost record. In 1958 New Mexico compiled an 8-4 mark, an unusual feat.

Last year Wyoming and Colorado State University shared the division title with 9-3 records. But each school was awarded 2 forfeits by Denver University which watched its 6-6 record tumble to 1-11 for using an ineligible pitcher. New Mexico's 4-8 was adjudged to a 5-7 record.

New Mexico and CSU opened the division season March 18-19 at Albuquerque on the Aggies swing homeward.

The Lobos outlasted Aggies, 12-11, in the first game with the aid of 2 double plays and a triple play.

Joe Allgood, a 0-3 pitcher last season, hurled Aggies to an 11-6 win in the second game. Although tagged for 12 hits and all of New Mexico's runs in 7 innings, Allgood showed perfect control and struck out 9.

In his next outing March 26, Allgood pitched 7 1/3 innings in a 2-1 win over Colorado State College to go the farthest of any district pitcher to that date. The 2 Colorado States committed only 2 errors, a reflection of midseason conditioning provided by their busy trips to New Mexico and Arizona.

Denver got 9-hit pitching from newcomers Dennis Nelson and David Daniels to beat New Mexico, 7-5, March 25. New Mexico bounded back the next day for a 10-8 triumph.

Lack of full scale workouts was evident. CSU dropped 7 of 9 games and Colorado State College defending District 7 champion, lost 5 of 6 games.

DISTRICT 7 NOTES: Ken Mazzur's .395 and Tom Hartley's and Ward Gates' similar .343 averages were tops for Colorado State University after 10 games.

Kent Olsen, 5-foot-7 center fielder who was almost left behind when Colorado State College made a 6-game trek to New Mexico and Arizona, returned from the trip with a lusty .444 average and a regular berth in the lineup. He went 2-for-4 against Colorado State U March 26.

Overcash At First

McGriff Loses Job

GAINESVILLE — What happens when a collegiate baseball All-American first baseman can't hold his job?

That's a question some of the Florida baseball fans asked themselves before the start of the 1960 season. Senior Perry McGriff, who made the first team All-American at first base last year while hitting .350, was moved to center field before the season started to make room for sophomore Ronnie Overcash.

Coach Dave Fuller had big plans for both and so far they're really working out. Overcash came to Florida from Clearwater High School after a great prep career. He had an outstanding freshman season and was not to sit the 1960 season out.

McGriff, a fast-moving senior from Gainesville, had a great year last season and made every All-SEC team as well as making all of the All-Regional squads.

With the loss of centerfielder Bobby Geissinger to graduation, Fuller decided to move the versatile McGriff to center field. As an end for the Gator football team this past year, Perry caught 14 passes for 362 yards and 2 touchdowns. Well, as a centerfielder, he's doing plenty of catching too. McGriff's play in center field this spring has provided the defensive spark for the Gators, who have run off 4 straight Southeastern Conference wins without a setback.

Meanwhile Overcash has made it clear that he's to be in con-

tention to gain All-America honors and bring Florida its second All-American first baseman in 2 years.

The 180-pound sophomore has hit .400 through Florida's first 9 games. He leads the team in RBI's with 14 and has the lead in triples with 2. Overcash, who bats and throws lefty, is also very smooth around first base and he's made some outstanding plays.

McGriff has been his usual hard-hitting self at the plate. Perry is hitting .371 through 9 games and has 9 RBI's. Mr. All-American has stolen 8 bases already and has smashed 2 homers and a pair of doubles.

Instead of one All-American this year, the Gators could have 2.

Maine To Receive 'Special' News Coverage

ORONO, Me. — You can be sure that the University of Maine baseball team won't lack coverage from at least one newspaper.

Last year Outfielder-first baseman Blaine Davis was the third leading hitter on the Maine team as a junior.

This year Davis will still be seeing baseball action, but it will be from a different location.

He has traded his glove for a typewriter and will be covering his former teammates this spring as a sportswriter for the Bangor Daily News.

Married and a father, Davis is writing on a full-time basis for the Bangor newspaper during his senior year in college. Last year he was a regular on the Maine team and posted a .289 batting average and .343 slugging mark.

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